

I am writing to you concerning the blatant disregard for the law that Sinclair Broadcasting is demonstrating in its insistence to air what some see as an anti-Kerry documentary. I expect the FCC to prosecute this instance vigorously and seek the most severe punishment admissible under the law in an effort to make it clear to those with money that the public airwaves are PUBLIC and, as such, should reflect the public's interests. For the record, this documentary is not my interest; I want to see the regular programming; and I want Sinclair Broadcasting reprimanded and warned for conspiracy to defraud me of promised programming.

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something

produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.